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1. The Office for Scientific-Technical Cooperation (Buero fuer Wissenschaftlich-Technische Zusammenarbeit - WTZ) is directly subordinate to the East German State Planning Commission and is responsible for the exchange of scientific-technical requirements between East Germany and the USSR and Soviet satellites.

2. The director of WTZ is Bernd Weinberger; this position carries the rank of a main department chief; he has no deputy. The WTZ is broken down into so-called sections (Sektionen), each of which has its counterpart in an East Bloc country. The section of WTZ and its counterpart form a permanent commission for technical-scientific cooperation.

3. Each section consists of a chairman, three members, and a secretary. The following are the sections of WTZ and the leading personnel¹:

a. German Section for Hungary

Chairman: Helmut Wunderlich - Wunderlich is to give up this position because of his present job as Minister for General Machine Construction.

Members: Dr. Tueppelmann (fnu) - Of the Main Administration for Heavy Chemistry, Ministry for Heavy Industry.
Albrecht (fnu) - Former main administration chief in Main 2 Administration RFT (now a special representative for INEX).
Oskar Eckloff - Member of the State Planning Commission in the Main Department for Agriculture.

Secretary: Elisabeth Wiese.

b. German Section for Czechoslovakia

Chairman: Erich Apel - Ministry for Heavy Machine Construction. Apel will probably have to give up this position because of his present job as Minister for Heavy Machine Construction.

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Members: Gruenberg (fnu) - Of the Main Administration for Heavy Chemistry, Ministry for Heavy Industry.

Secretary: Franz Gabriel

c. German Section for Poland
Chairman: Paul Strassberger³

d. German Section for the USSR
Chairman: Erwin Kerber - Of the State Planning Commission. (Prof. Werner Lange at one time took over the chairmanship temporarily.)
Secretary: Helfried Pech

e. German Section for Albania and Bulgaria
Chairman: Kurt Opitz - Opitz will be relieved of his function in the in the near future because he is to replace Henke as CEMA representative in Moscow; Henke is to become deputy to Bruno Leuschner.

f. German Section for China, Korea and Rumania
Chairman: Not known.
Secretary: Walther Mostertz

4. The following are the members of the Hungarian Section for Germany:
Chairman: Jenoe Fock, former Deputy Minister for Machine Construction

Members: Loerinc (fnu), Deputy Minister for Chemistry
Foeldesi (fnu), Deputy Minister for Light Industry
Klentzner (fnu)

Secretary: Varga Horvath

5. Members of the sections are chosen from the appropriate ministries, to represent these phases of industry or research on which the other countries are interested in obtaining information.

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1. Comment: The above list includes all concerning the Office for Technical-Scientific Cooperation, which, is extremely well compartmented.

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Comments:

2. INEX - Industrie-Anlagen Export (Industrial Installations Export).

3. Probably Paul Strassenberger of the State Planning Commission.

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